compound. Hence no enquiry was considered necessary. The uranium compound produced by the Uranium Corporation of India Ltd. is accounted for accurately and stored safely according to the procedures prescrirbed by the Department of Atomic Energy and in operation for long.

(c) Adequate security arrangements through the deployment of the Central Industrial Security Force exist in the operational areas of UCIL.

Percentage of women in All-India Services

*434. SHRI C. RAMA-CHANDRAIAH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to fix 33 percent quota for women in All-India Services;

(b) what is the present percentage of women in the IAS and IPS; and

(c) what steps are proposed to be taken to increase the percentage of women in All-India Services?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (BANKING, REVENUE AND INSURANCE) (SHRI R. JANARTHANAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The present percentage of women in IAS is 10.68 and in IPS is 3.11.

(c) Recruitment policies do not discriminate against women. There is a constant endeavour to ensure that service conditions are not against the interests of women.

Pakistan's Plan of Nuclear Strike

*435. PROF. A. LAKSHMISAGAR:
SHRI PARAG CHALIHA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item which appeared in the Hindustan Times, dated 29th June, 1998 quoting a Pakistani defected weapons scientist disclosing Pakistan's plan of first Nuclear strike on the country; and

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction with regard thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Government has taken note of this report. Government remains fully committed to taking all necessary steps to effectively safeguard India's security and national interests in accordance with its own threat perceptions.

Structural overhauling of Planning Commission

*436. DR. B.B. DUTTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for a complete strucHiral overhauling of the Planning Commission;

(b) if so, the basic idea behind this restructuring; and

(c) how far this is going to improve the functioning of the Planning Commission?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI RAM NAIK): (a) to (c) It is proposed to bring in functional changes in the working of the Planning Commission in the context of implementation of the Economic Reforms so that the Commission could concentrate more on new emerging areas^trends.

Claims made by Nepal in Kalapani

*437. SHRI NARENDRA MOHAN:
SHRI JANESHWAR MISRA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government of Nepal has claimed a 35 square km of area in Kalapani sector on